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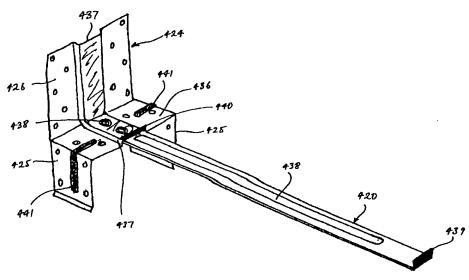
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(57) Abstract: A building element connection and spacing device including a strip member (420) of substantially inextensible material, a connector (424) located at at least one longitudinal position on said member for providing a connection between orthogonal building elements (431, 450), and at least one index (439) at a longitudinal position on said member corresponding to an element spacing distance. In one form, a plurality of the devices are adapted to be laid end-to-end to provide a series of building element connections at fixed intervals, such as those between a wall frame top member (431) and a series of roof trusses, a bearer member (435) and floor joists (434) or between a wall frame bottom member (433) and uprights (432).